GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – P.R. & R.D. Department – Disciplinary Proceedings initiated against Sri D. Pulla Rao, the then Dy. Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj PIU Sub-Division, Tenali and now retired, on the allegations of irregularities in executing the substandard work and recommended for payment of NABARD work "Vemuru to Pervali" without insisting for Quality Control tests as evidenced by recovery of Rs.5,33,015/- and rejected value of Rs.11,13,310/- respectively, etc., - Written Statement of Defence submitted - Appointment of Sri B. Balu Naik, Chief Engineer, Panchayat Raj, V&QC., and Engineer-in-Chief (FAC), Panchayat Raj as an Inquiry Officer and the Superintending Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Guntur as Presenting Officer – Orders – issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.981. **Dated: 29.12.2022.**
Read the following:-

1. G.O.Rt.No.481, P.R. & R.D. (Vig.II) Department, dated 06.08.2019.
2. From Sri D. Pulla Rao, the then Dy. Executive Engineer (Retd.), written statement of defence, dated 18.09.2019.

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O R D E R:

Whereas, in the reference 1st read above, Government have initiated disciplinary proceedings duly framing Articles of Charges against Sri D. Pulla Rao, the then Dy. Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj PIU Sub-Division, Tenali and now retired, on the allegations of irregularities in executing the substandard work and recommended for payment of NABARD work "Vemuru to Pervali" without insisting for Quality Control tests as evidenced by recovery of Rs.5,33,015/- and rejected value of Rs.11,13,310/- respectively; and he recommended for payment for the unexecuted item of gravel shoulders on the above road work from Km.1/100 to 1/350 (250 mts) on right side and 1/230 to 1/280 (50 mts) on left side.

2. And whereas, in the reference 2nd read above, the charged officer Sri D. Pulla Rao, the then Dy. Executive Engineer (Retd.), Panchayat Raj PIU Sub-Division, Tenali has submitted his written statement of defence, denying the charges framed against him. The written statement of defence submitted by the charged officer was not convincing, it has been decided to conduct regular inquiry into the charges framed against the charged officer Sri D. Pulla Rao, the then Dy. Executive Engineer (Retd.), Panchayat Raj PIU Sub-Division, Tenali.

3. Now, therefore, in exercise of the power conferred by Rule-9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 read with sub-rule (2) of Rule-20 of A.P. Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991, Sri B. Balu Naik, Chief Engineer, Panchayat Raj, V&QC., and Engineer-in-Chief (FAC), Panchayat Raj is hereby appointed as an Inquiry Officer for conducting regular inquiry into the charges framed against Sri D. Pulla Rao, the then Dy. Executive Engineer (Retd.), Panchayat Raj PIU Sub-Division, Tenali.

4. Government also hereby appoint the Superintending Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Guntur as Presenting Officer to present the case before the Inquiry Officer on behalf of the disciplinary authority, under Rule 20(5)(c) of A.P. Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991.

5. The Presenting Officer shall acquaint himself with the facts of the case and present the case before the Inquiry Officer effectively. He shall also obtain and produce documents, if any, required by the Inquiry Officer, during the course of inquiry.

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6. The Inquiry Officer shall conduct inquiry strictly in terms of Rule 20 of A.P. Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 and submit his report as required under sub-rule 18(ii) of the above said rule. A copy of the Articles of Charges and written statement of defence submitted by the charged officer are forwarded to the Inquiry Officer.

7. The receipt of G.O., shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri B. Balu Naik, Chief Engineer & Inquiry Officer, Panchayat Raj, V&QC., & Engineer-in-Chief (FAC), Panchayat Raj (w.e.).
The Superintending Engineer & Presenting Officer, Panchayat Raj, Guntur (w.e.).
Sri D. Pulla Rao, the then Dy. Executive Engineer (Retd.), Panchayat Raj PIU Sub-Division, Tenali, through the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Vijayawada.

Copy to:
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Vijayawada.
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// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER